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New York, New York

JRM:HOF

November 11, 1943

Director, FBI

Re: PENDING CASES ON COMMUNIST  
PARTY MEMBERS

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau Bulletin #54, Second Series 1943 dated October 20, 1943 in the above entitled matter.

According to the latest figures received by this Office with reference to Communist Party members, there are approximately 23,000 Party members in the area covered by the New York Field Office. Most of these are in New York City. It is estimated that there are listed in the files of the New York Office some 10,000 individuals on whom considerable information has been gathered which would indicate that they are members of the Communist Party. The information available concerning this group of individuals is information that has been received from complaints made to the office, information received from technical surveillances and microphone surveillances where the information obtained is definitely reliable and in some instances the information contained in the files is substantiated by the information showing proof that the individual had a Communist Party membership book in his possession. There are also numerous instances where confidential informants of the New York Office have supplied information giving fairly definite proof that certain individuals were members of the Communist Party. It is to be noted that of the 10,000 individuals mentioned above as being listed in the files of this office indicating Communist Party membership, that positive proof will be available on a comparatively small number of these individuals.

In accordance with the telephone conversation of Assistant Director D. M. Ladd a strict interpretation will be followed in the New York Office for the time being so that a large number of investigative files will not be opened on these individuals unless a definite and clear-cut proof exists that they are members of the Communist Party.

In view of the fact that there are 490 key-figure cases presently pending in the New York Office, it is believed that these key-figure investigations should be given prior attention, before any large number of additional cases are opened on Communist Party members.

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the key figure program is brought up to date, a program will then be followed of opening cases on individuals wherein definite information exists that they are members of the Communist Party.

In order that the Bureau will understand the problem that will arise in the New York Office in view of the above mentioned Bulletin, I am enclosing herewith a photostatic copy of a Special Industrial Transfer which relates to one FRANCIS GOLDFARB. It will be noted that the information contained on this photostat gives fairly definite proof of Party membership and is sufficiently definite that a case file will be opened. On the same day that this information was received there were 400 other photostats obtained with identical information pertaining to other members of the Communist Party. I am pointing out this particular instance in order that the Bureau will be aware of the fact that it will be impossible to refrain from opening a rather large number of cases even though a very strict interpretation of the Bureau Bulletin is followed.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY  
SAC

Enc. 1

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**SPECIAL INDUSTRIAL TRANSFER No. 1726**

Attention: Branch Membership Directors -

Upon receipt of this transfer, please sign and return to the State Office through regular section membership channels.

Date 9/28/43

Name Frances Goldfarb Book # 9361

Address 720 Riverdale Dr

Coming from: Branch 11 Industrial Ind V

Going to: Branch 22nd A O Club

which meets Tuesday evenings at \_\_\_\_\_

493 W. 145 St.

Address of Branch Headquarters

Section 22 County ny

This comrade has reported and has been placed on the rolls of the above branch on 10/12/43

Date Reported

Signature of Branch Membership Director [Signature]

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK, N. Y.

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FILE NO. 100-55319 AMK

REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK CITY</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>7/28/44</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>7/25, 27/44</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>HENRY M. BIGLAN</b>
TITLE <b>FRANCES GOLDFARB</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER (C)</b>
FOIA(b)(3) - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods			

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject transferred to 22nd AD Club of CP and resides at 720 Riverside Drive, New York City.

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**DETAILS:**

This investigation is predicated upon information furnished by Confidential Informant T1, which information reveals that a Special Industrial Transfer No. 1726 dated September 23, 1943 indicates that FRANCES GOLDFARB, Book No. 9361, address 720 Riverside Drive was transferred to the 22nd AD Club from Branch "S 1". The latter club it is indicated meets Tuesday evenings at 493 W. 145th Street and also indicates that this Comrade has reported and has been placed on the rolls of the 22nd AD Club on December 12, 1943.

AGENCY 1040 HEW  
REQ. REC'D 5-25-60  
REP'T FORW. 6-11-60  
BY Bug Rfu

Confidential Informant T2 reveals that there is in existence a list of names among which is the following notation concerning the subject:

"1726 FRANCES GOLDFARB, 720 Riverside Drive, 22nd Ad. Club". It is noted that this list is some evidence of the subject's membership in the Communist Party.

The New York Telephone book reveals that WILLIAM GOLDFARB resides at 720 Riverside Drive and also lists "William Goldfarb Associates, 225 Fifth Avenue.

SAMUEL HERBERT, Assistant Superintendent, 720 Riverside Drive advised that the subject lives at that address with her husband and a male child about 2 years of age. He

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indicated that they appeared to be respectable people. He had no information concerning the citizenship of the subject or her activities.

He furnished the following description of the subject:

Age: 25 or 30 years  
Height: 5'3"  
Weight: 120 lbs.  
Hair: Blond  
Occupation: Housewife

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The identity of the confidential informant mentioned in the report of Special Agent Henry M. Bighn dated at New York City July 28, 1944 is as follows:

- T1 -- Photographic copy of a Special Industrial Transfer obtained by Special Agents A. Robert Swanson, Stephen McGarr and Jerome M. Garland from a reliable and confidential source having access to the headquarters of the New York County Committee of the Communist Party, 147 Fourth Avenue, New York City on October 28, 1943.
- T2 -- Photographic copy of a list of names obtained by the above named agents from a confidential and reliable source who stated the material was on hand in the New York County Headquarters of the Communist Party, 147 Fourth Avenue, New York City on December 17, 1942.



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Name: FRANCES GOLDFARB

August 28, 1950

Character: SECURITY MATTER - C

File Number: 100-330771

*Encl*  
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Re memorandum from Mr. Belmont to Mr. Ladd dated March 30, 1950, entitled "Israel Halperin, (Corby Case) 100-342972, Espionage - R." The name of captioned person was found listed in the address book and diary of Israel Halperin, a known Soviet espionage agent.

Attached hereto is a brief summary of information compiled from a review of the file and references in the Corby Case.

Israel Halperin, Canadian-born citizen of Russian parentage, was one of the principals implicated in Soviet Military Intelligence operations in Canada as disclosed through the defection of Igor Gouzenko. Apprehended in February, 1946, Halperin was placed on trial for conspiracy to violate the Canadian Official Secrets Act. However, on March 4, 1947, charges against him were dismissed upon refusal of a co-conspirator (David Gordon Lunan) to testify against him.

On March 12, 1946, copies of an address book and diary found in Halperin's possession at the time of his apprehension were forwarded to the Bureau.

A review of the attached memorandum does not indicate the subject is pro-Soviet and engaged in sensitive employment nor does it contain allegations that subject was engaged in espionage activities; therefore, no further action in this matter is being taken by the Espionage Section at this time.

Attachment

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May 19, 1950

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FRANCES GOLDFARB

Summary

The following data was found in the notebook of Israel Halperin, Soviet espionage agent who was apprehended by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1946:

"Willie, Frances Goldfarb  
319 W. 108 St. AC4-6714  
289 Convent Ave., N.Y.  
Michael, b. May 1941  
720 Riverside Dr.  
Audubon 34388"

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Frances Goldfarb is the subject of a Security Matter - C investigation by the New York Office. She is an individual described in 1944 as being about 25 or 30 years of age and having the occupation of housewife. Special Transfer No. 1726, dated September 28, 1943, indicated that Frances Goldfarb, Book No. 9361, address - 720 Riverside Drive, was transferred to the 22nd AD Club from Branch "S 1." This information was obtained from a confidential source at the New York County Committee of the Communist Party.

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SAC, New York

September 22, 1950

Director, FBI

FRANCES GOLDFARB  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
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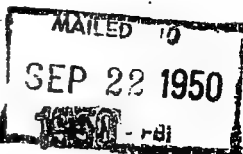
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289 Convent Ave., N. Y.  
Michael, b. May 1941  
720 Riverside Dr.  
Audubon 34388"

It is requested that you conduct an appropriate investigation to determine whether the subject is engaged in any activities at this time which would warrant placing her name in the Security Index.

FCZ:jgh

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

**NEW YORK**

NY FILE NO. 100-55319

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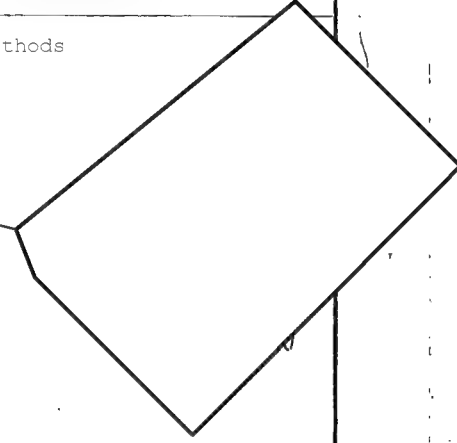
REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>MAY 4 1951</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>3/9,10,12/51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>THOMAS J. HURLEY, JR. (A)</b>
TITLE <b>FRANCES GOLDFARB, wa.: Mrs. William Goldfarb</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>

FOIA(b)(3) - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject employed as housewife and resides at 720 Riverside Drive, NYC. Subject and husband were listed in notebook of ISRAEL HALPERIN, Soviet Espionage Agent apprehended by Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1946. In an anonymous letter to the NY Office dated July, 1950, subject's name was mentioned as being active in the May Day Parade and stated that she was urging people to sign the Stockholm Peace Petition.

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AGENCY *WFO*  
 REC'D *5-25-51*  
 REP'T FORM *6-12-51*  
 BY *BW*  
 Re: *Wm Goldfarb (28)*

**DETAILS: At New York, New York**

**Birth Records**

The Bureau of Vital Statistics, Manhattan, Certificate Number 13677 reflected that MICHAEL GOLDFARB was born on [redacted] to WILLIAM and FRANCES LYONS GOLDFARB, who at that time were residing at 289 Convent Avenue, New York City.

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These records reflected that WILLIAM, age 26, was born in New York City, and was employed as a psychologist at a children's social agency and that FRANCES, age 28, was born in Massachusetts.

Residence and Employment

JOSEPH HUSZAR, Superintendent of the premises at 720 Riverside Drive, New York City, advised on March 10, 1951, that the GOLDFARBS have been residing at the above address for approximately eight years and that they have two children. In addition he advised that the subject was employed as a housewife and that her husband, WILLIAM GOLDFARB, was an interne at a hospital on Fifth Avenue near Central Park.

Mr. HUSZAR said he knew nothing of a derogatory nature concerning the subject or her husband.

Communist Party Activities

The following data was found in the notebook of ISRAEL HALPERIN, Soviet Espionage Agent who was apprehended by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1946, according to information furnished by Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability:

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289 Convent Ave., N. Y.  
Michael, b. May 1941  
720 Riverside Dr.  
Audubon 34388".

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It is to be noted that the subject and her husband, WILLIAM, have a son MICHAEL, born [redacted], at which time they resided at 289 Convent Avenue, New York City. The subject is currently residing at 720 Riverside Drive, New York City.

In a letter to the New York Office, dated July 25, 1950, and signed by a person identifying himself only as a resident of 720 Riverside Drive, New York City, it was stated that Dr. WILLIAM GOLDFARB, formerly of the United

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States Navy, and his wife were, along with others, ardent Communists and have attended the May Day Parade. In addition, the letter stated that the subject was urging people to sign the Stockholm Peace Petition. The letter further stated that these residents of 720 Riverside Drive are "against aggression in Korea and are active in fomenting race consciousness and upholding the Civil Rights Congress" (CRC).

It is to be noted that the May Day Parade in New York is an annual mobilization of Communist strength, according to the Special Committee on Un-American Activities report dated March 29, 1944, page 179.

It is to be noted that the Stockholm Peace Petition has been cited as Communist by a Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities Interim Statement issued on the Communist "Peace Petition" Campaign July 13, 1950.

It is to be noted that the Civil Rights Congress comes within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

The records of the Board of Elections, 400 Broome Street, New York City, reflected that WILLIAM and FRANCES GOLDFARB, 720 Riverside Drive, New York City, registered for the American Labor Party in 1949. In addition, the subject stated she was 37 years old and that she was born in the United States.

It is to be noted that the American Labor Party has been cited as among "organizations that are victims of Communist domination" by the California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report 1948.

The Bureau of Special Services and Investigation, New York City Police Department, as contacted by SA AUGUST J. MICEK, contained no information regarding the subject.

The following Confidential Informants, all of known reliability, advised that they did not know the subject: T-1, T-2, T-3, T-4, T-5, and T-6.

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Confidential Informant T-8, of known reliability, advised that BILL GOLDFARB, 720 Riverside Drive, was a member of the 22nd A. D. Club of the Communist Party and was the holder of Book Number 9424 in October, 1943.

Credit

The Credit Bureau of Greater New York, as checked by SA GORDON C. LUND, contained no information regarding the subject.

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The Birth Records of Manhattan were checked by  
SE GERARD M. LENAHA.

The records of the Board of Elections, New York  
City, were checked by SE CLINTON E. POLLOCK.



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LEAD PAGE

BOSTON

At Lynn, Massachusetts

Will attempt to determine subject's date and place of birth, believed to be in 1912 at Lynn, Massachusetts, and to search indices for information concerning subject.

NEW YORK

At New York, New York

Will follow Bureau's recommendation regarding Form FD 122 submitted MAY 4 1951 .

Will attempt, at 720 Riverside Drive, to determine the identity of the writer of the anonymous letter mentioned in instant report.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of SA (A) THOMAS J. HURLEY, JR., dated MAY 4 1951, at New York, are as follows:

T-1	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 80px; height: 150px; display: inline-block; vertical-align: middle;"></div> , contacted by SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.
T-2	, contacted by SA EDWARD W. BUCKLEY.
T-3	, contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY.
T-4	, contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY .
T-5	, contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY.
T-6	, contacted by SA RICHARD T. CLANCY.
T-7	Bureau's Liason Office, Ottawa, Canada, as set forth in Bureau letter to New York, 9/22/50.
T-8	An anonymous source.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter to New York, 9/22/50.

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

Card Filed  
5-22-51

DATE: MAY 4 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: FRANCES GOLDFARB, wa.  
SECURITY MATTER - C

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OK MP

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X It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above captioned individual.

The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME Frances Goldfarb

ALIASES Mrs. William Goldfarb

RACE W SEX F NATIVE BORN        NATURALIZED        ALIEN       

COMMUNIST X SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY        INDEPENDENT SOCIALIST LEAGUE       

MISCELLANEOUS (Specify)       

TAB FOR DETCOM        TAB FOR COMSAB       

DATE OF BIRTH unknown PLACE OF BIRTH unknown

RESIDENCE ADDRESS 720 Riverside Drive, New York City

BUSINESS ADDRESS (Show name of employing concern and address)       

Housewife

NATURE OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS (Specify from Strategic and Vital Industry List)       

Encs. (5)

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REPORT MADE AT <b>BOSTON, MASS.</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>5-22-51</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>5-16-51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>FRANK C. KEMER</b>
TITLE <b>FRANCES <sup>①</sup>GOLDFARB, wa Mrs. William <sup>②</sup>Goldfarb</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Birth records revealed a female child born 7-11-12 in Lynn, <sup>284-1</sup>Mass. to ABE LYONS and SADIE RICHMOND LYONS. Boston files negative regarding Subject.

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**DETAILS: AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS**

Records of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Secretary of State, Division of Vital Statistics, Birth Records, Volume 606, Page 646, No. 1135, indicate a female child was born July 11, 1912 in Lynn, Massachusetts. Parents are listed as <sup>Mr. & Mrs.</sup> ABE LYONS, born Russia, and SADIE RICHMOND LYONS, born Russia, address 24 Laconia Court, Lynn, Massachusetts. Father's occupation is given as shoe maker.

There is no information in the Boston Office files regarding the Subject, ABE LYONS or SADIE RICHMOND LYONS.

FOIA(b)(3) - 50 USC 3024(i)(1) - Intelligence Sources and Methods

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REFERENCE: Report of SA THOMAS J. HURLEY, JR. (A), New York, 5-4-51.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEW YORK

NY FILE NO. 100-55319 GMM

REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>SEP 5 1951</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>4/30; 6/11; 7/7/51</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>THOMAS J. HURLEY, Jr. (A)</b>
TITLE <b>CHANGED FRANCES GOLDFARB, was. Frances M. Lyons</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject and her husband WILLIAM GOLDFARB were married on 11/27/38 at Brooklyn, NY. Tenants residing on the same floor as the subject at 720 Riverside Drive were unable to furnish any information regarding the GOLDFARBS.

AGENCY (Pho New)

REQ. REC'D 6-25-60

REP'T FORW. 6-17-60

BY Bug Bps

Re: wmd. Goldfarb

D/R

**DETAILS:**

At New York, New York

The additional alias of FRANCES M. LYONS is being added to the title as reflected in the records of the Marriage Bureau.

The records of the Marriage Bureau, Brooklyn, New York reflected that FRANCES M. LYONS and WILLIAM GOLDFARB were married on November 27, 1938. In addition certificate number 19965 reflected the following information:

Name: WILLIAM GOLDFARB

Address: 670 William Avenue

Brooklyn, New York

Occupation: Psychologist

Age: 23

Birthplace: Brooklyn

Father's Name:

Name: SAMUEL, born in Russia

Mother's Name:

PESSY FELDMAN

FRANCES M. LYONS

38 Union Square East

New York City, New York

Social Worker

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Lynn, Massachusetts

Russia

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~~PESSY FELDMAN~~  
born in Russia  
First marriage

~~SADIE RICHMOND~~  
born in Russia  
First marriage

The following tenants, residing on the same floor as the subject at 720 Riverside Drive, New York City, advised that they only had a speaking acquaintance with Mr. and Mrs. GOLDFARB and were unable to furnish any information regarding them:

Mrs. HENRY DOLLMAN, Apartment 5-B  
Mrs. ISAAC ELLER, Apartment 5-C  
Mrs. DAVID SCHRAGER, Apartment 5-D  
Mrs. VICTORIA SAYAD, Apartment 5-E  
Mrs. LOUIS SOSHEN, Apartment 5-F  
Mrs. E. J. SUTTON, Apartment 5-G  
Mrs. IRENE HOKALA, Apartment 5-H  
Mrs. DAVID SCHNEEBALG, Apartment 5-K

Mrs. EVA BERNSTEIN, Apartment 5-L, advised that the subject's husband was employed as a doctor at the Mt. Sinai Hospital, Fifth Avenue and 100th Street, New York City and that she held Mr. and Mrs. GOLDFARB in high regard. It is to be noted that Mr. and Mrs. GOLDFARB reside at Apartment 5-J at the above address.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The records of the Marriage Bureau were checked  
by SE GERARD M. LENAHAN.

REFERENCE: Report of SA THOMAS J. HURLEY, New York, 5/4/51.



# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

Card U.T.D.  
9-14-51 222

DATE: September 7, 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: FRANCES GOLDFARB, wa.  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
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It is recommended that a Security Index Card be prepared on the above captioned individual.

X The Security Index Card on the captioned individual should be changed as follows: (Specify change only)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ALIASES ADD Frances M. Lyons *Master ok*

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✓ WILLIAM GOLDFARB, was.  
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FRANCES GOLDFARB, was.  
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Rebulet 9-7-51, and airtel 10-1-51, captioned, "William Goldfarb, was., Security Matter - C."

A review of the Bureau file concerning William Goldfarb reflected the following derogatory subversive information:

1. A confidential informant of known reliability, having access to the Headquarters of the New York County Committee of the Communist Party in 1948, reported that Bill Goldfarb, 720 Riverside Drive, New York City, had been transferred to the 22nd A. D. Club of the Communist Party and was holder of Book No. 9424.

2. William Goldfarb was listed in the address book of Israel Halperin, Soviet espionage agent apprehended by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1946. It is noted that the significance of this is not known.

3. In 1949 William Goldfarb registered for the American Labor Party.

4. In an anonymous letter to the New York Office dated 7-9-50, William Goldfarb was mentioned as being active in the May Day Parade and as upholding the Civil Rights Congress. The letter was signed by a person identifying himself as a resident of 720 Riverside Drive, New York City. It is noted that an investigation at 720 Riverside Drive failed to identify the writer of the anonymous letter, and that the information set forth in the anonymous letter has not been corroborated.

William Goldfarb's file contained no other information concerning Communist activity. As you were previously advised

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By referenced Bureau, it is not believed that William Goldfarb's inclusion in the Security Index would be justified on the basis of the above information, inasmuch as an investigation is inconclusive as to whether the subject is or has been an active member of the Communist Party.

As pointed out in your letter dated 11-1-51, the file on Frances Goldfarb reflects substantially the same Communist activity concerning her as previously stated concerning her husband.

In view of the above information, you are instructed to submit your recommendations regarding the advisability of including both William Goldfarb and Frances Goldfarb to determine their present activities.

**YELLOW ONLY:**

Frances Goldfarb is included in the Security Index, while William Goldfarb is not. The last report submitted in the case of Frances Goldfarb is dated 9-3-51 at New York, and the last report in the case of William Goldfarb is dated 3-14-51 at New York.

Director, FBI

12/20/51

SAC, New York

WILLIAM GOLDFARB, was.

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FRANCES<sup>2</sup> GOLDFARB, was.

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Rebulet 10/15/51.

WILLIAM GOLDFARB and his wife FRANCES reside at 720 Riverside Drive, N.Y.C. He is employed as an intern at Mount Sinai Hospital, New York, New York, and is also on the staff of the Psychiatric Institute and Hospital, N.Y.C. His wife is not employed.

WILLIAM GOLDFARB was born on 2/16/15 in N.Y.C. to SAMUEL GOLDFARB and POLLIE FELDMAN. Both parents were born in Russia.

FRANCES GOLDFARB was born on 7/11/12 at Lynn, Massachusetts. Both parents were born in Russia. Both subjects are white.

WILLIAM GOLDFARB

Rebulet 10/15/51 sets forth all of the known derogatory information concerning WILLIAM GOLDFARB, therefore, this information is not being reported in this letter.

FRANCES GOLDFARB

A Confidential Informant, of known reliability, having access to the Headquarters of the New York County Committee of the Communist Party in 1943, reported that FRANCES GOLDFARB, 720 Riverside Drive, New York, had been transferred from branch S-1 Industrial Section to the 22nd AD Club of the Communist Party, and was the holder of book no. 9361.

FRANCES GOLDFARB was listed in the address book of ISRAEL HALPERIN, Soviet Espionage Agent, apprehended by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1946. It is noted that the significance of this is not known.

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In 1949 FRANCES GOLDFARB, 720 Riverside Drive, New York, N.Y., registered for the American Labor Party.

In an anonymous letter to the NY office dated 7/25/50, Dr. WILLIAM GOLDFARB and his wife were mentioned as being active in the May Day Parade and as upholding the Civil Rights Congress. The letter was signed by a person identifying himself as a resident of 720 Riverside Drive, NYC.

It is noted that an investigation at 720 Riverside Drive failed to identify the writer of the anonymous letter, and that the information in the anonymous letter has not been corroborated.

The father of WILLIAM GOLDFARB is SAMUEL GOLDFARB, 670 Williams Avenue, Brooklyn, New York. The records of the Brooklyn Board of Elections reflects that in 1936 SAMUEL GOLDFARB, 670 Williams Avenue, registered as a Communist. There is no registration record for him for the years 1937-1941. In 1942 and 1943 he registered under the banner of the American Labor Party. These records indicate that SAMUEL GOLDFARB became a citizen of the United States in January, 1907.

The records of the Secretary of State, Albany, New York, reflect that SAMUEL GOLDFARB, 670 Williams Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, signed the 1942 election petition for the Communist Party New York State. His signature appears on page 6881.

It will be noted that FRANCES GOLDFARB is the subject of a security index card in this office. WILLIAM GOLDFARB is not a security index subject in this office.

In view of the fact that FRANCES and WILLIAM GOLDFARB have apparently never been very active in Communist affairs, and the lack of any recent substantive information that they have been active in Communist affairs, it is requested that permission be granted to interview both subjects to determine their present sympathies.

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SAC, New York

January 8, 1952

Director, FBI

WILLIAM GOLDFARB, was.  
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FRANCES GOLDFARB, was.  
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Reurlet 18-30-51.

Bureau authority is granted to interview both William Goldfarb and Frances Goldfarb in accordance with the provisions of No Number SAC Letter dated 9-11-51.

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NOTE ON YELLOW: Frances Goldfarb is a subject of a Security Index card and William Goldfarb is not. The known Communist activities are substantially the same for both subjects.

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FILE NO.

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REPORT MADE AT <b>NEW YORK</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>4/24/52</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>2/19; 4/9, 16/52</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>FRANCIS J. SANDIN</b>
TITLE <b>FRANCES GOLDFARB, was., Frances M. Lyons, Mrs. William Goldfarb</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>SECURITY MATTER - C</b>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FRANCES GOLDFARB interviewed by Bureau Agents. She admitted membership in the Social Service Employees Union, Local 19, a Communist controlled organization from about 1937 to 1943 and in the ALP from about 1939 to 1948. She denied being a member or ever having been a member of the CP.

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*REQ. REC'D 5-25-60*  
*REP'T FORW. 6-17-60*  
*BY [signature]*

*Re: Wm. Goldfarb*

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DETAILS:

On February 19, 1952, FRANCES GOLDFARB was interviewed by SA JOHN W. WHALEY and the reporting agent at her home, 720 Riverside Drive, New York City. She stated that in 1937 she was employed by the Foster Home Bureau which merged with the Jewish Child Care in about 1939 and became known as the Jewish Child Care Association.

While so employed, she became a member of the Social Service Employees Union, Local 19, United Office and Professional Workers of America from about 1937 to 1943. Mrs. GOLDFARB also stated that Local 19 was affiliated with the American Labor Party and she, therefore, joined the American Labor Party and was a member from about 1939 to 1948. She stated that although she was a member of the American Labor Party for about nine years, she was not active in the affairs of the organization and attended only about three meetings.

APPROVED AND  
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She stated that she recalled that ~~EVELYN ADLER~~ and ~~BERNARD SEGAL~~ were officials of Local 19 during the period she was a member.

She stated that she is not and never was a member of the Communist Party and never possessed a Communist Party membership card. She stated that she was never interested in Communism and to her knowledge never associated with members of the Communist Party.

Mrs. GOLDFARB advised that in about 1948 or 1949 for a brief period she was a member of an organization having the name, American Women for Peace, or a similar sounding name and that ~~MINNA SOBEL~~, 706 Riverside Drive, New York City, was a leading figure in that organization. Mrs. GOLDFARB stated that she attended about four meetings of this organization, which meetings were held about once a month in Mrs. SOBEL'S home. She stated that she dropped out of this organization upon learning that it had been cited as subversive by the Attorney General.

Concerning ~~ISRAEL HALPERIN~~, a Soviet espionage agent who was apprehended by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1946, Mrs. GOLDFARB stated that she and her husband met HALPERIN in about 1938 or 1940, at which time HALPERIN was affiliated with the Institute of Advanced Science at Princeton, New Jersey. She met HALPERIN through a mutual friend, ~~HENRY WALLMAN~~, who at that time was also affiliated with the Institute of Advanced Science.

She further stated that she had also met HALPERIN at the home of Dr. ~~JOSEPH RUBIN~~, a dentist with offices on Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, New York. She stated that she was not well acquainted with HALPERIN, having met him only a very few times at social gatherings, and knew nothing of his background or activities.

She stated that WALLMAN is now a Professor in a university in Gotterburg, Sweden, and was formerly associated with the University of North Carolina, University of Wisconsin and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. ~~LEONA WALLMAN~~ is the wife of ~~HENRY WALLMAN~~ and is presently with her husband in Sweden.

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Mrs. GOLDFARB stated that she has resided at the following places:

1938-1944 - Broadway and West 108th Street,  
New York City;  
1940-1943 - 289 Convent Avenue, New York City;  
1943-present - 720 Riverside Drive, New York  
City.

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability, advised in March, 1948, that the Social Service Employees Union, Local 19, was a branch of the United Office and Professional Workers of America and that many of the officers of the Social Service Employees Union were either members of the Communist Party or in sympathy with its policies and cooperated with known Communist organizations.

Confidential Informant T-2, another government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised in March, 1942, that the Social Service Employees Union of New York City was controlled by Communists.

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," dated March 3, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., contains the following concerning the American Labor Party:

"American Labor Party

"1. 'For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn sections of the American Labor Party but outside of New York City they have been unable to win control.' (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, March 29, 1944, page 78.)

"2. Among 'organizations that are victims of Communist domination.' (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1948, pages 40 and 41.)"

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Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised on May 12, 1949, that MINNA SOBEL of the Manhattan Congress of American Women was a committee member of the Congress of American Women and was scheduled to serve on the Committee of Nominations at the National Convention of this organization.

The Congress of American Women was cited as a Communist organization by the Attorney General coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, advised that EVELYN ADLER, 418 West 20th Street, New York City, was a leader and Executive Secretary of Local 19 of the Social Service Employees Union, United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, which has consistently followed the Communist Party line.

Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised that at a special state convention of the New York State Communist Political Association held in July and August, 1945, BERNARD SEGAL was elected a member of the State Committee of the Communist Political Association. SEGAL was a trade union functionary affiliated with the United Office and Professional Workers of America.

The May 5, 1945, edition of the "Morning Freiheit" mentioned the name of BERNARD SEGAL as the Executive Director of the Social Service Employees Union, Local 19, CIO.

The "Morning Freiheit" was cited by Attorney General FRANCIS BIDDLE in the Congressional Record, September 24, 1942, page 7686, as a "Communist Yiddish daily."

Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, advised on about July 29, 1941, that HENRY WALLMAN, an instructor in mathematics at the University of North Carolina, transported several known Communists in North Carolina in his automobile from Chapel Hill, North Carolina, to New York for the purpose of attending an American Peace Mobilization meeting held on April 3-5, 1941.

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Confidential Informant T-7, of known reliability, during the latter part of 1946 advised that HENRY and LEE WALLMAN, 36 Grozier Road, Cambridge, Massachusetts, visited ISRAEL HALPERIN in Canada and brought back instructions on the preparation of a protest to Canadian authorities, as well as ways and means of raising further funds to aid HALPERIN. The informant advised that the WALLMANS were good friends of HALPERIN.

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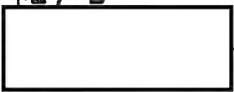
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The interview with Mrs. GOLDFARB was terminated at her request as she stated that she had a prior medical appointment for her child.

REFERENCES

Report of SA THOMAS J. HURLEY, JR. (A), 9/5/51,  
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Bureau letter to New York, 1/8/52.

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SAC, New York (100-55319)

June 25, 1952

Director, FBI (100-330771)

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FRANCES GOLDFARB, was.,  
SECURITY MATTER - C

Rerep Special Agent Francis J. Sandin  
dated April 24, 1952, at New York.

Inasmuch as the investigation in this  
case is inconclusive as to whether the subject is  
or has been an active member of the Communist Party  
and in view of the subject's apparent cooperation  
when interviewed on February 19, 1952, as set forth  
in rerep, it is desired that you submit your  
recommendation concerning the removal of the subject  
from the Security Index.

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TO : Director, FBI (100-330771)

FROM : SAC, New York (100-55319)

SUBJECT: FRANCES GOLDFARB, was  
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DATE: 8/15/52

*Cancel ST card*

Security Index card cancelled

Rebulet 6/25/52.

Inasmuch as this investigation does not indicate that the subject is or has been an active member of the Communist Party and in view of the subject's apparent cooperation when interviewed on 2/19/52 it is suggested that she be removed from the Security Index.

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